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030793-034000

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[37 CFR 1.89(a)]

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In re Application of : R. Sam Niedbala

Application Number: 09/997,023

Filed: November 30, 2001

For: SAMPLE COLLECTOR AND TEST DEVICE

Group Art Unit: 1797

Examiner: Lyle Alexander

Applicant hereby **appeals** to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner.

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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee shown above is reduced by half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
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